WHEREAS, in 1997 the Town of Davie became an "entitlement" recipient of Federal Funds from the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG Program has strengthened America's communities by providing affordable and accessible housing, neighborhood revitalization programs, infrastructure improvements, new or enhanced public facilities, economic development and self-sufficiency initiatives, and other public service programs that enhance the quality of life for low income and minority residents; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG Program has an established system that leverages 3:1 in private funding, and THE Town has been successful in leveraging both public and private funds to expand the level of services to Davie residents; and

WHEREAS, the CDBG Program is the best mechanism for addressing community needs based on citizen input, and Davie has an pro-active grass-roots neighborhood program; and

WHEREAS, in 2004, 178,000 households nation-wide were assisted with a myriad of affordable housing programs, 13.3 million

WHEREAS, this year's theme "CDBG: Building Strong Individuals, Proud Families, Vibrant Communities", sends a strong message to Congress and the general public that the CDBG Program plays an important role in enabling our lower-income residents to move from welfare to independent economic status, thus ensuring the viability of our cities; and

WHEREAS, the Town looks forward to the continued implementation of it's CDBG-funded projects and activities, as well as its continued partnership with the U.S. Department of HUD and other agencies that provide essential services to Davie's residents.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT PROCLAIMED that the Mayor and Town Council of the Town of Davie hereby proclaim April 12-18, 2004 as;

"National Community Development Week"

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this 7th day of April, 2004.

Tom Truex, Mayor

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